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BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

January 22, 2002	Committee	
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Honorable Chair and Members of the County Council County of Maui Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii

Chair and Members:

Your Budget and Finance Committee, having met on January 8, 2002, makes reference to County Communication No. 01-271, from the Chair of the Budget and Finance Committee, relating to the matter of economic recovery actions. In light of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks on the United States and the effect on the economic well-being of our State and County, the Chair of the Budget and Finance Committee recognized that economic recovery actions may need to be taken in an expeditious manner.

Your Committee notes that while considering the disposition of County Communication No. 01-271 at its meeting of October 4, 2001, the Council revised the communication to also include referral of the matter of recent health-related concerns facing Maui County.

Your Committee further notes that it previously reported on this matter through Committee Report No. 02-1. In that report, your Committee recommended that a proposed resolution entitled "AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR, AND ACCEPTANCE OF, GRANT FUNDS FROM THE MAUI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOUNDATION QUARANTINE FUND, RELATING TO THE ERADICATION OF DENGUE FEVER" be adopted and that a proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2002 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS IT PERTAINS TO THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR" pass first reading and be ordered to print. The purpose of the proposed resolution was to authorize the acceptance of \$20,000 in funds from the Maui Chamber of Commerce Foundation Quarantine Fund for the eradication of dengue fever in Maui County. The purpose of the proposed bill was to amend the grant revenues in Appendix A of the Fiscal Year 2002 Budget by appropriating the \$20,000 grant.

Your Committee further notes that Committee Report No. 02-1 was scheduled for adoption at the Council meeting of January 11, 2002.

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By correspondence dated December 11, 2001, the Budget Director transmitted the following:

1. A proposed resolution entitled "AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF HAWAII, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, RELATING TO TIRE DISPOSAL FOR THE MOSQUITO CONTROL AND DENGUE FEVER PREVENTION PROGRAM".

The purpose of the proposed resolution is to authorize the acceptance of \$30,000 in funds from the State Department of Health for tire disposal relating to the eradication of dengue fever in Maui County.

2. A proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2002 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS IT PERTAINS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND WASTE MANAGEMENT".

The purpose of the proposed bill is to amend the grant revenues for the Fiscal Year 2002 Budget by appropriating \$30,000 from the State Department of Health for tire disposal.

By correspondence dated December 20, 2001, the Budget Director transmitted a revised proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2002 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS IT PERTAINS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND WASTE MANAGEMENT". The revised proposed bill changes the year of the bill from 2001 to 2002.

At its meeting, your Committee met with the Budget Director, the Deputy Director of Public Works and Waste Management, and a Deputy Corporation Counsel.

The Budget Director informed your Committee that the State Department of Health is providing \$30,000 to the County to assist in the disposal costs for

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tires that have been collected during the countywide cleanup for dengue fever. She further noted that Unitek, the vendor contracted to dispose of the tires, charges \$3 per automobile tire and more for larger truck tires.

The Deputy Director of Public Works and Waste Management stated that approximately 5,000 - 6,000 tires have been collected in Hana and 5,000 - 7,000 tires have been collected at the Central landfill. He further stated that the tires cannot be disposed of in the landfill. Therefore, the tires are taken to Unitek, who ships the tires to Honolulu for shredding and recycling.

Your Committee expressed concerns that the County should be developing a long-term plan to address tire disposal, since tires cannot be disposed of in the landfills. Your Committee noted that purchasing a shredder for long-term use and recycling on Maui might be more appropriate than shipping the tires off-island.

Your Committee voiced additional concerns that the tires in Hana had not been removed to Unitek and could still be providing a breeding place for mosquitoes. The Deputy Director of Public Works and Waste Management stated that the State had agreed to move the tires from Hana, and that in the interim, the tires are sprayed with insecticides for mosquito control.

Your Committee requested that the Department provide (1) a copy of the agreement between the State and County for the tire removal program; (2) a cost estimate of a tire shredder machine; and (3) information on whether the State Department of Health is spraying insecticides at the landfills where the tires are stored as part of the dengue fever control effort.

By correspondence dated January 8, 2002, your Committee received testimony from Tim Lyons, Executive Director of the Hawaii Pest Control Association, in support of accepting the grant funds from the State Department of Health and requesting consideration of other incentives for use of professional pest services in mosquito control.

After discussion, your Committee voted to recommend adoption of the proposed resolution and passage of the revised proposed bill on first reading.

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Adopt	ion of this report is respectfully requested.		

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